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SOUTHERN FARM
LANDS.

Reports from all over the
South indicate a steady and in-
creasing demand for farm prop-
erties as well as much ac-
tivity in the handling of busi-
ness and residence lots in the
towns and cities. There are no
inflation in the land values,
but gradual rises in prices are
placing them on higher levels
than a few years ago and point
to the fact that Southern lands
are both splendid investments
and good properties to handle
and operate. In commenting
on the situation, which is very
satisfactory to those who have
followed the trend of events.
Mr. M. V. Richards, land and
industrial agent of the South-
ern Railway and Mobile and
Ohio Railroad, Washington, D.
C., said:

"Our observations when on
the lines and the reports which
come to the department show
increased movements in real
estate and considerable activity
in this branch of business.
There is a demand for farm
properties, which reveals that
the merits of our Southern
country are becoming more
widely known, and that many
of the farmers of the North and
West realize that the best and
cheapest lands now offering are
those in the Southeast. All our
advice are to one effect—farm-
ing properties in the sections
reached by our lines are con-
stantly bringing higher prices.
There are no unwarranted
efforts in this direction or any
tendencies to create values in
anticipation of growth and de-
velopment. Lands are bring-
ing the better prices strictly on
their merits as good farming
propositions. There is every
reason for this, as some re-
markable results have attended
the recent activities of the
farming interests.

"Almost any issue of one of
our agricultural papers contain
a detailed statement giving the
splendid profits which has been
secured by a farmer who has
tabulated receipts and expenses
in typical business form, the
showing made being such as
clearly demonstrates that South-
ern farm lands are good divid-
end payers and have as yet
not even approached the price
at which they will be in much
larger demand in the not dis-
tant future. The Southern
farmer has so many branches
of agriculture which can be
profitably followed and such a
greater growing section to ma-
ture his many crops in that he
has a distant advantage over
the farmer of other sections
and can follow in avenues of
profit which are not open to
them. Our information shows
the growing tendency toward
diversified crops and the inter-
est that is being taken in the
growing of larger crops of
truck, fruit, grain and hay, and
greater supplies of cattle, sheep,
horses and mules. The dairy
interests are increasing and

more attention is being given
to many other branches of
agriculture. The meetings held
through the medium of the
special agricultural trains
which have been run by the
Southern Railway and the
Mobile and Ohio Railroad the
past year have been largely at-
tended, and the inquiries made
by the individual farmers have
showed a remarkable interest
in diverse crops and improved
methods of cultivation. Farm-
ing properties are higher wholly
from good business reasons.
From similar causes is greater
activity in town and city prop-
erty. The manufacturing
towns and the business centers
of the South are growing, and
their development requires that
larger area be given over to
residence and business pur-
poses. In the handling of both
farming and town properties
there are the best of opportu-
nities for active and enterprising
real estate men, either in
placing them as investments or
for occupancy and operation.—
Manufacturer's Record.

MEETING OF THE JUNIOR
CIVIC LEAGUE.

On last Friday afternoon the
members of the Junior Civic
League met in the Public
School Building for the pur-
pose of electing officers.

Miss Burgess presided at the
chair and Thelma Baker was
appointed to act as Secretary
for this meeting.

The following officers were
elected:

Julia Bullitt, President; Reuben
Banks, First Vice-President;
Mary Skeens, Second
Vice-President; Nettie Willis,
Third Vice-President; Grace
Wolfe, Recording Secretary;
Zollie Palmer, Corresponding
Secretary; Mrs. C. S. Carter,
Treasurer.

Mrs. R. T. Irvine, President of
the Woman's Civic League, was
present. She presented to
Margaret Pettit and Louise
Goodloe each a book as rewards
from the Woman's Civic
League to the two who collect-
ed the largest amount of money
on tag day.

Mrs. Irvine made a very
pleasing address to the children,
who enjoyed having her with
them.

It was agreed that the league
meet again on next Friday in
room five of the school building
for the purpose of forming com-
mittees and arranging further
business.

Beware Of Ointments For Catarrh That
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As mercury will surely destroy the sense
of smell and completely derange the whole
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BETTER ROADS.

The Clinch Valley News
(Tazewell) says that an esti-
mate for building the roads in
the county recently designated
by the Supervisors has been re-
ceived here from the office of
the State Highway Commission
in Richmond. The estimate
for the Clear Fork road is four
thousand and five hundred dol-
lars per mile; Jefferson road,
four thousand and three hun-
dred thirty-two dollars per
mile; Madison Spring, four
thousand and three hundred
ninety dollars per mile. It is
understood that bids for the
construction will soon be asked
for and the work on the roads
commenced.

Smashes All Records.

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"CARRY ME BACK TO OLD VIRGINIA."

A number of misguided peo-
ple have recently left this sec-
tion of Virginia, and gone
West. Some of them sold \$9-
000 farms and valuable personal
property; in fact, everything
they possessed was converted
into cash, and leaving behind
them the friends and neighbors
who were true and tried, they
have gone in search of this
imaginary Eldorado.

We have met with Virginians
through all that vast section,
and never found one who did
not cherish the hope that some
day he would be able to gather
his family around him and re-
turn to Old Virginia. Theirs
was the same old story; they
had been misled by the glowing
pamphlets and well worded ad-
vertisements of the land boom-
boomers. Where one had suc-
ceeded and was doing well we
saw twenty who had lost all
they had, and were living hard,
harder than they could ever
have lived in Virginia. We
hear back in Virginia the one
who, going West was supplied
with money, succeeds, but we
hear nothing of the hundreds
who miserably fail, and are not
able to return to the State of
their birth.

What intelligent man could
want to exchange Virginia for
Texas or the West.

Here, chills, fever and ague
cannot exist. Tornadoes, hot
winds, droughts, grasshoppers
and beetles are unknown. The
lands yield abundantly; springs
of cool crystal water gush from
every hillside, beautiful limpid
streams, not irrigating ditches,
flow through every farm; happy
homes of thrifty people, church-
es and school houses dot the
landscape; macadam roads are
being constructed in every
neighborhood, markets are
easily and quickly reached;
prices for farm products are
high and will continue so; farm
lands are increasing in value
every year; the day of the farm-
er has come, and this is only
the beginning of the great pros-
perity in store for him.—Old
Dominion Sun.

FRUIT NOT ALL
KILLED.

The recent cold spell did not
do the damage that was first
estimated to the fruit in the
vicinity of Wytheville.

In the May issue of the South-
ern Planter reports are publish-
ed from many sections of the
State regarding the damage by
frost to the fruit crop of Virgin-
ia. These show that while
serious damage has been done
in most sections, yet there is
still a probability of a fair yield
of winter apples, and some
peaches. The loss to Roanoke
and Botetourt counties will be
at least one hundred thousand
dollars each.—Wytheville En-
terprise.

Will the homes of Big Stone
Gap be more careful not to
dump ashes on the street at
their doors. Make walks out
of them, then the surplus put in
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NOTICE.

To Calvin Pardoe, Blackwood Coal and
Coke Company, The Girard Trust
Company, of Philadelphia, and all
other persons whom it may concern:

TAKE NOTICE: That the Interstate
Railroad Company, a public service cor-
poration, chartered and doing business
under the laws of the State of Virginia,
and authorized to condemn lands and other
properties, or any interest or estate,
therein, for its uses and purposes, will, on

THE 12TH DAY OF JULY, 1909,

that being the first day of the July Term,
1909, of the Circuit Court for Wise
County, Virginia, apply to the said Court
at the Court House of Wise County, in
the town of Gladeville, for the
appointment of five disinterested
freeholders, resident in said county, to
ascertain what would be a just compen-
sation for the fee of the tract, piece, or
parcel of land hereinafter described, the
fee simple estate in which is sought to be
condemned by the undersigned for its
uses and purposes in constructing, main-
taining and operating improvements and
additional facilities on its line of railroad
running through the town of Blackwood
from Appalachia to Norton, in said
County, and to award damages, if any,
resulting to the adjacent or other prop-
erty of the said Calvin Pardoe, the Black-
wood Coal and Coke Company, the
Girard Trust Company, of Philadelphia,
or to the property of any other person,
beyond the peculiar benefits that will ac-
cure to such properties, respectively,
from the construction and operation of
the works of the undersigned.

The said tract, piece or parcel of land
is the same mentioned, described and
shown in the petition, description, plat of
survey and profile filed by the undersig-
ned in the Clerk's Office of Wise County,
Virginia, on the 18th day of May, 1909,
in this proceeding, which is styled "Inter-
state Railroad Company vs. Calvin
Pardoe, Blackwood Coal and Coke Co.,
et al.," to which petition description, plat
of survey and profile, reference is here
made and is situate, lying and being in
the Town of Blackwood, Wise County,
Virginia, and bounded and described as
follows: A lot or parcel of land lying
and being in Wise County, Virginia, at
what is known as Blackwood, and
bounded and described as follows, to-wit:
Beginning at a point in the Southern
right of way line of the main Interstate
Railroad line, said point being situated in
a westerly direction and fifty feet from
where the center line of the main Inter-
state Railroad line crosses the center line
of the main Roaring Fork Railroad line,
and twenty feet in a Southerly direction
from the center line of the said Interstate
Railroad main line; thence, leaving the
right of way line, South, eighteen degrees
and seven minutes West one hundred and
thirty five feet to the fifteen foot right of
way of the Blackwood connecting line;
thence with the said fifteen foot right of
way in an Easterly direction, on a curve
with a radius of five hundred and twenty
nine and two tenths feet, two hundred
and eighty feet to the intersection of the
main right of way line; thence with said
main right of way line, North fifty-nine
degrees and forty-one minutes West one
hundred and forty two feet to a stake on
said line; thence continuing with said
right of way line, on a curve to the left,
with a radius of five hundred and fifty-
three and seven-tenths feet, one hundred
and twenty feet to the beginning, con-
taining thirty nine one hundredths
(39.100) of an acre, more or less, and be-
ing the same lot, strip, or parcel of land
shown on "the plat of the survey of the
parcel of land sought to be condemned by
the Interstate Railroad Company in a
proceeding instituted by it in the Circuit
Court of Wise County, Virginia, against
Calvin Pardoe and the Blackwood Coal
and Coke Company, et al. with profile
showing cuts, fills, trestles and bridges,"
which said plat and profile are filed in the
Clerk's Office of Wise County, with the
petition in this cause at the time of the
institution of this proceeding.

If you have any defense to make to this
application you will at the time and
place aforesaid make the same known to
the said Court.

Witness the signature of the Interstate
Railroad Company, by A. H. Reeder,
General Manager.

INTERSTATE RAILROAD CO.
By A. H. REEDER, General Mgr.
Bullitt & Chalkley, p. q. May 19 20 23

CIRCUIT COURT OF WISE COUNTY.
S. S. Brooks, Guardian of Mint Shoemaker,
Freddie Shoemaker, Emmet
Shoemaker and Humphrey Shoemaker,
Complainants,

Mint Shoemaker, Freddie Shoemaker,
Emmet Shoemaker, Humphrey Shoemaker,
Sarah Salyer and The Virginia
Coal and Iron Company.

NOTICE OF SALE.

Notice is hereby given that the under-
signed, Jno. W. Chalkley, Special Com-
missioner in the above styled suit in chan-
cery pending in the Circuit Court of Wise
County, Virginia, will on the 19th day of
June, 1909, between the hours of ten
o'clock a. m. and two o'clock p. m., proceed
on the premises to sell at public auc-
tion to the highest bidder for one half
cash, the remainder to be paid in twelve
months from date of sale, for which de-
ferred payment the purchaser will be re-
quired to execute his note, with good se-
curity, and for the payment of which a
lien will be retained on the land sold,
provided, however, that the purchaser
may, if he so elect, pay all of the purchase
money in cash, the entire interest, except
the minerals and certain mining rights
and privileges thereon and thereunder,
and the dower right of Sarah Salyer, in
and to a certain lot or parcel of land sit-
uated in the town or settlement of Miners-
ville, in Wise County, Virginia, and
known as Lot Number sixteen (16) of
Block Number five (5), as shown on a
plat of lots of the said town of Miners-
ville, known as Ransom Buffalow's plat
of Minersville, fully described in the bill
and proceedings in said cause, to which
reference is here made for a more partic-
ular description. Sale subject to lien on
any unpaid taxes on said lot.

Jno. W. CHALKLEY,

Special Commissioner.

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the
Circuit Court of the County of Wise.

Samuel S. Brooks, Guard- In Chancery
ian, etc. vs.

Mint Shoemaker, et al.

I, C. A. Johnson, Clerk of the said
Court, do certify that the bond required
of the Special Commissioner by the de-
cree rendered in said cause on the 10th
day of April, 1909, has been duly given.
Given under my hand as Clerk of the
said Court, this 8th day of May, 1909.

C. A. JOHNSON, Clerk.

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Insurance in Force	24 " "
Net Assets	19 " "
Net Surplus	25 " "
Total Income	39 " "
Interest Receipts	39 " "

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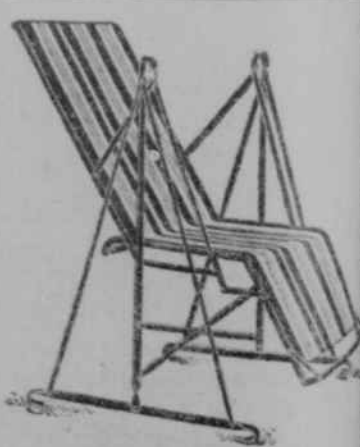
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